Mayor, Council Appreciate Mitchell's Work on Behalf of Citizens

SCOTTSDALE - U.S. Rep. Harry Mitchell today released the following statement thanking the Mesa City Council for its formal recognition last evening of his contributions to and representation on behalf of the City of Mesa.

"As a former Mayor, a tribute of recognition from a city government is especially meaningful to me. I understand the importance of delivering vital services at the municipal level and the challenges local governments face. I look forward to continuing to work with the city on important issues including expanding and improving Gateway Airport, a key economic engine in our region, ensuring that our public safety officers and first responders have the vital resources they need to keep our neighborhoods safe, and fighting to keep the Chicago Cubs in Mesa for many spring trainings to come.

"While I am grateful for this honor and thank the City of Mesa, I also commend Mayor Smith, the entire council and the talented city staff for their excellent work, comprehensive vision and diligent planning to help ensure a positive future for Mesa. I value our strong and productive relationship."